Making Government responsive and effective

260. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a meeting of the Chief Ministers, presided over by the Prime Minister was held in Delhi recently to discuss how to make Government responsive and effective and of the ways to motivate the civil servants;

(b) if so, the outcome of the meeting; and

(c) the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN): (a) to (c) A Conference of Chief Ministers of States/UTs was held on 24th May, 1997 under the Chairmanship of Prime Minister to discuss an Action Plan for Effective and Responsive Government. The Action Plan dealt with three themes, namely, accountable and citizen-friendly Government, transparency and Right to Information, and improving the performance and integrity of the public services. The issues that were discussed under these themes and which are being followed-up at Central and State levels are:

a. Citizens' Charter and accountable administration;

b. Effective and speedy public grievance redressal system;

c. Empowering elected local bodies and decentralised delivery of services;

d. Review of laws, regulations and procedures;

e. Transparency and Right to Information;

f. Access of the public to Information from public offices and facilitation counters;

g. Code of Ethics for public services;

h. Tackling corruption and cleansing the administration; and

i. Stability of tenure and a scheme for Civil Service Boards.

It was agreed that each State would work for the implementation of the Action Plan, making appropriate allowance for variation in local circumstances.

Government has set up a Comittee under the Cabinet Secretary including some Chief Secretaries representing different regions of the country as well as some senior officials of Government of India in order to elaborate different elements of the Action Plan and work out various decisions required at Central and State levels.

मध्य प्रदेश संवर्ग में आई॰ए॰एस॰ तथा आई॰पी॰ एस॰ पदों का सृजन

261. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) मध्य प्रदेश में 1994-95 से 1996-97 तक आई॰ए॰एस॰ तथा आई॰पी॰एस॰ अधिकारियों के नए सृजित पदों की संख्या कितनी-कितनी है;

(ख) उन नए सृजित पदों का उनके विभागों सहित ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) इनमें से ऐसे पदों के नाम क्या-क्या हैं, जो अधिकारियों को समय पर पदोन्नति दिए जाने के लिए सृजित किए गए हैं; और

(घ) आई॰ए॰एस॰ तथा आई॰पी॰एस॰ के उन पदों का ब्यौरा क्या है, जिनकी संख्या प्रशासनिक व्यय को कम करने की दृष्टि से 1994-95 से 1996-97 तक की अवधि में कम कर दी गई है?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत और पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एस॰आर॰ बालासुब्रहमण्यन): (क) से (ग) भारत सरकार द्वारा 1994-95 से 1996-97 तक भारतीय प्रशासनिक सेवा तथा भारतीय पुलिस सेवा के मध्य प्रदेश संवर्ग में कोई नए संवर्ग पद सृजित नहीं